

S/N 10/573318

In response to the Office Action dated August 10, 2009

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification, page 10, line 17 to page 11, line 15 as follows:

Each of the side sealing portions 2 is formed into a bent or curved line having a proper width, and includes a plurality of projecting portions 20. Specifically, the side sealing portion 2 is a string of sets each including an inclined portion 21a, a linear portion 21b, a curved portion 21c and a subsidiary portion 21d. The inclined portion 21a includes an end connected to the cross sealing portion 3 and is inclined relative to the length and width of the long packaging material A1. The linear portion 21b is connected to the inclined portion 21a and is elongated lengthwise of the long packaging material A1. The curved portion 21c is connected to the linear portion 21b and is curved into an S-shape. The subsidiary portion 21d is connected to the curved portion 21c and is elongated to the adjacent cross sealing portion 3. The projecting portion 20 is a part of the curved portion 21c and projects toward the center of the width of the sheet 10. The inner width (minimum width) L1 between each two projecting portions 20 is smaller than the inner width L2 between each two linear portions 21b and than the inner width L3 between each two curved portions 21c except the projecting portions. The sealing width W2 of the side sealing portion 2 is substantially constant except at the inclined portion 21a which has a larger sealing width W1. The inclined portion 21a requires high strength as it is placed in the vicinity of the bottom of a pouch made of the long packaging material A1. Therefore, the width of the side sealing portion 2 is larger at the inclined portion 21a than at the other portions.